

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A pigment comprising a platelet-shaped, transparent and colorless substrate comprising directly thereon at least a 5-layer sequence of

(A) a layer of SnO_2 , having a layer thickness of 0.5 - 20 nm,

(B) a layer of TiO_2 in rutile modification, having a layer thickness of 30 - 400 nm,

(C) a colorless coating having a refractive index $n \leq 1.8$, having a layer thickness of 40 - 500 nm,

(D) a layer of SnO_2 , having a layer thickness of 0.5 - 20 nm,

(E) a layer of TiO_2 in the rutile modification, having a layer thickness of 30 - 400 nm

and optionally

(F) an outer protective layer.

2. (Original) The five-layered pigment according to Claim 1, wherein the platelet-shaped substrate is natural or synthetic mica, glass, or Al_2O_3 , SiO_2 or TiO_2 platelets.

3. (Original) The five-layered pigment according to Claim 1, wherein layer (C) is SiO_2 , Al_2O_3 , $\text{AlO}(\text{OH})$, B_2O_3 , MgF_2 , MgSiO_3 or a mixture thereof.

4. (Original) The five-layered pigment according to Claim 1, having an outer protective layer (F) increasing light, temperature and weather stability.

5. (Original) A process for the preparation of a five-layered pigment according to Claim 1, comprising coating the substrates by a wet-chemical method with hydrolytic decomposition of metal salts in aqueous medium.

6. (Original) In a paint, coating, powder coating, printing ink, security printing ink, plastic, ceramic material, glass, dopants for laser marking of paper or plastic, cosmetic formulation, pigment preparation or dry pigment preparation comprising a luster or effect pigment, the improvement wherein the luster or effect pigment is a five-layered pigment according to claim 1.

7. (Original) A pigment preparation comprising at least one binder, and at least one five-layered pigment according to Claim 1.

8. (Currently Amended) A Pigment preparation according to Claim 8 7, which is a dry preparation.

9. (Currently Amended) The dry preparation according to Claim 9 8, comprising from 0 to 8% by weight of water and/or a solvent or solvent mixture.

10. (Currently Amended) The dry preparation according to Claim 9 8, in the form of pellets, granules, chips or briquettes.

11. (Original) A hydrophilic, hydrophobic or lipophilic cosmetic formulation comprising at least one five-layered pigment according to Claim 1.

12. (New) In a nail varnish, lipstick, compact powder, gel, lotion, soap or toothpaste comprising a pigment, the improvement wherein the pigment is one according to claim 1.

13. (New) A pigment preparation comprising an organic dye, organic pigment, transparent or opaque white, colored or black pigment, platelet-shaped iron oxide, holographic pigment, liquid crystal polymer, or a transparent, colored or black luster pigment based on metal oxide-coated mica or on a SiO₂ platelet, and a pigment according to claim 1.

14. (New) A pigment preparation comprising a filler, which is natural or synthetic mica, nylon powder, pure or filled melamine resin, talc, glass, kaolin, an oxide or hydroxide of aluminum, magnesium, calcium or zinc, BiOCl, barium sulfate, calcium sulfate, calcium carbonate, magnesium carbonate, carbon, or a mixture thereof, and a pigment according to claim 1.

15. (New) A pigment preparation comprising a cosmetic raw material, which is an oil, fat, wax, film former, preservative, thickener, rheological additive, or a surface active auxiliary, and a pigment according to claim 1.

16. (New) A pigment preparation comprising a cosmetic active ingredient, which is an insect repellent, UVA/BC protection filter, anti-ageing active agent, vitamin, self-tanning agent, bisabolol, LPO, ectoin, emblica, allantoin or a bioflavonoid, and a pigment according to claim 1.